

JEFFERSON CITY SPECIAL OLYMPICS

Jefferson City Parks & Recreation - Mike Bollinger, Supervisor, 634-6493

Basketball / Bowling Programs are starting!

BASKETBALL STARTS SATURDAY, NOV. 8

Anyone interested in coaching please contact Mike Bollinger. We would like to have both a coach and assistant coach for each team. Coaches need not be basketball experts training is provided. Practice times will be on Saturday mornings and some teams will practice on Tuesday night.

Basketball Tryouts

Tryout is mandatory and everyone (coaches & athletes) who want to be involved must attend on either Saturday, November 8 or 15 from 9 to 11 am at Shikles Gymnasium.

We will be conducting skills testing, as well as running drills and playing a game each time so be sure to wear your tennis shoes, shorts, t-shirts or sweatsuits.

Nov 8 & 15	Tryouts
Jan 10	Area Tournament
Feb TBA	District Tournament
Mar 27-29	State Tournament

We will announce the teams and practice schedules by mail prior to the start of practices.

BASKETBALL FEES:
\$55 State Assessment
\$40 Transportation Fee

BOWLING BEGINS MONDAY, OCT. 6

Participants in Bowling must attend the mandatory practice on Monday, October 6, 2014 from 3:30 pm to 5:00 pm. The fee is \$6 per day if you don't already practice with the CCRSI leagues. A number of athletes have already signed up at the CCRSI practices and a few more have expressed interest in bowling too.

Bowling Practice Dates

Monday, Oct 6 - 3:30 - 5:00 pm
Monday, Oct 13 - 3:30 - 5:00 pm
Monday, Oct 20 - 3:30 - 5:00 pm
Monday, Oct 27 - 3:30 - 5:00 pm

\$6.00 fee for each practice.

(Practice will resume February 23)

Area Tournament Fulton

Saturday/Sunday, November 1 & 2
Times to be announced later.
NO TRANSPORTATION PROVIDED

State Tournament Ft. Wood/ Waynsville

Friday to Sunday, March 27 - 29

BOWLING FEES:
\$55 State Assessment
\$25 Transportation Fee

PROGRAM FEES

STATE EVENT ASSESSMENT

Special Olympics Missouri assesses each agency/group \$55 per competitor (athlete and unified partner) that uses lodging through SOMO and \$27.50 per competitor for those who do not use SOMO lodging. This assessment goes to offset the expense of putting on the State Tournaments. We are allotted a 4:1 ratio of athletes to coaches. If we exceed our numbers with additional chaperones, we are assessed for their stay as well. We usually have just enough to cover our head coaches, unified partners, volunteers that help out regularly and a bus driver.

TRANSPORT ASSESSMENT

Our annual fundraiser for Special Athletes did not generate enough money to cover transportation costs this year. We only had 7 people donate and we raised a little over \$1,000. A one-day bus trip usually costs around \$750 and a weekend bus trip costs about \$1,800. Because of this, we will be asking each participant that did not help with fundraising to pay a transportation fee to cover the cost of renting a bus.

The State Event assessment is due 45 days prior the State event and the Transportation assessment is due prior to the first trip.

FUND RAISING COMMITTEE

Because of the limited donations that we received at our recent fundraiser for our Special Athletes, we are facing a very tight financial situation. We are currently unable to even pay for transportation for our athletes, much less any of the other things that we would like to do for the program.

We'd like to put together a group of interested individuals that would like to plan and implement some fund-raising activities. We have so many possibilities and we need people who are not coaches or active volunteers in the program to step forward to help out in this area.

If you or someone you know might be interested in helping out with fund-raising, please contact Mike Bollinger by phone at 573-634-6493 or email at mbollinger@jeffcitymo.org.

We would like to try to have an initial meeting of interested individuals in late October or early November and get some ideas together. We probably won't get too busy until the beginning of the new year.

Possible fund-raisers include going to restaurant that will give a portion of the proceed of the evening's business to us. We can operate a concession stand at an event. We can try to host a golf tournament or even have a car wash or bake sale. Nothing is too big or too small to try.

Our Special Athletes really need our help. PLEASE consider helping out in this area, the need is critical!!!!

EMAIL LIST

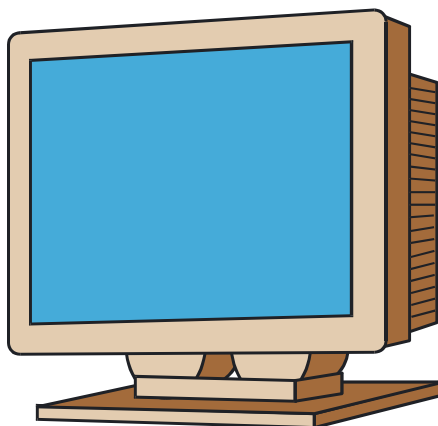
Jefferson City Special Olympics is starting an email list to be able to get out information in a faster and easier way.

The email list we are setting up will not replace any of the newsletters or informational letters that we send out at this point, but we are working at getting our communications into the 21st century!

If you'd like to get on the email list so you can have the latest info, please email mbollinger@jeffcitymo.org and we will start including you on what's going on!

Also, don't forget that Jefferson City Special Olympics also has our very own Facebook page now at www.facebook.com/JCSpOly.

We also can be found on the internet at the Parks & Recreation's website jeffcitymo.org/parks/specialolympics



FUTURE DATES:

We don't have a lot of dates for future programs from Special Olympics yet and things have changed a LOT with Special Olympics.

We have gone from two to three State Games and events will be split up differently. Here's what we have right now.

(This is TENTATIVE and is subject to change!!!!)

February 2015

We will be starting our Volleyball program. Basketball will be ongoing. We will re-start our Bowling practices at the end of February.

March 2015

We will start the Track & Field program. The State tournament for Basketball and Bowling will be the end of the month.

April 2015

The Track & Field meet will be held sometime in April.

May 2015

The State Games for Volleyball and Track will be May 29-31.